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GDR TRAFFIC MINISTRY DECREE PROVIDES FOLLOWING:

- 1) S-BAHN LINES LEADING INTO WEST SECTORS FROM SOVIET ZONE CUT AT SECTOR-ZONAL BORDER.
- 2) EAST BERLIN STATIONS ON NORTH-SOUTH S-BAHN LINE BETWEEN ANHALTER BAHNHOF AND GESUNDBRUNNEN CLOSED WITH EXCEPTION FRIEDRICH-STRASSE WHERE STRICT CONTROLS IN FORCE. WILHELMSRUH, SCHOENHOLZ AND WOLLANKSTRASSE STATIONS, LOCATED EAST-WEST SECTOR BORDER, ACCESSIBLE ONLY FROM WEST SIDE.
- 3) SAME REGULATION AS 2 ABOVE APPLIES TO NORTH-SOUTH U-BAHN LINE FROM WEDDING TO HALLISCHES TMR.
- 4) INNER RING S-BAHN LINE CUT AT EAST SECTOR BORDER, LEAVING SHUTTLE SERVICE WITHIN WEST BERLIN AND WITHIN EAST BERLIN.
- 5) S-BAHN TRAINS ON EAST-WEST LINE BEING STOPPED AND REVERSED AT FRIEDRICHSTRASSE STATION. TRAINS FROM EAST AND WEST USE SEPARATE TRACKS.
- 6) EAST-WEST U-BAHN LINE CUT AT POTSDAMER PLATZ AND ONLY SHUTTLE SERVICE LEFT WITHIN EAST AND WITHIN WEST BERLIN.

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7) ALL EAST BERLIN STATIONS ON NORTH-SOUTH U-BAHN LINE BETWEEN GESUNDBRUNNEN AND KOTTEBUSSE TOR CLOSED AND TRAINS TRANSIT EAST SECTOR WITHOUT STOPPING.

8) EXCURSION TRAVEL OF "WHITE FLEET" BOATS BETWEEN HAVELSEE AND EAST BERLIN LAKES IS SUSPENDED.

9) CHARTERED BUSES (E.G. SIGHTSEEING) FROM WEST BERLIN REQUIRE SPECIAL PERMITS OBTAINABLE AT EAST GERMAN REISEBUERO BEFORE ENTERING EAST BERLIN.

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